during the last three years are estimated as follows :—

| Year | Estimated savings in High Speed Diesel oil consumption in Kilolitres | Percentage of estimated savings to the estimated total High Speed Diesel oil consumed in the country |
|---|---|---|
| 1982-83 . . . . . | 549080 | 3·82 |
| 1983-84 . . . . . | 576553 | 3·82 |
| 1984-85 . . . . . | 584186 | 3·56 |

**Unreserved travel scheme**

1727. SHRI J. P. GOYAL : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways have introduced an unreserved travel scheme;

(b) which are the zones where this scheme has been introduced; or proposed to be introduced; and

(c) what are the reasons for introducing such a scheme ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA) : (a) to (c) Prior to 1981, there was no unreserved accommodation in a large number of long distance Mail/Express trains. In March 1981, it was decided to attach 2 unreserved coaches on each of these trains to facilitate passengers travelling at last minute. This policy has been implemented on most of the trains except Rajdhani Expresses.

**Study on accidents**

1728 SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Road Transport Council along with another organisation made a study on the road accidents in the country;

(b) if so, what are their findings and what is the number of accidents per 10,000 vehicles; and

(c) what steps Government are taking to combat the problems of accidents ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) The National Transportation Planning and Research Centre, Trivandrum have recently conducted a study on accidents-prone locations along National Highways in Kerala.

(b) On the basis of accident-data, the NATPAC has identified 23 accident-prone locations along national highways in Kerala for further study and for formulating improvement plans. The study also revealed that 33% of the accidents involved heavy vehicles and 25% involved pedestrians. The general studies of road accidents indicate that defects in the vehicle, the driver and the road are contributory factors of road accidents.

The number of accidents per 10,000 vehicles for the last four years are as under :—

| Year | No of accidents per 10,00 vehicles |
|---|---|
| 1981 | 309·3 |
| 1982 | 285·8 |
| 1983 | 261·9 |
| 1984 | 237·7 |

(c) The steps being taken by the Government include tightening of rules and regulations related to issue of driving licences, strict medical tests, certification of vehicle tests, enforcement of maximum safe axle weights permissible for transport vehicles and improvement of geometrix inter-section improvements. Besides launching National Highway patrol scheme on selected sectors of National Highways, establishment of Driver Training School in Delhi for imparting comprehensive training to improve driver skill and driver habits, the State Governments and Union Territories have also been advised to formulate and implement the schemes of Highway Patrol in respctive areas and to set up driver training schools.

**दिल्ली परिवहन निगम की रूट गाइड**

1729. श्री अच्छे लाल बारमोक : क्या परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली परिवहन निगम यात्रियों की सुविधा के लिये एक संशोधित रूट गाइड जारी करने का विचार रखता है, जिसमें अद्यतन किराया ढांचा तथा बस रूट दिये गय हों, और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण है?

जल-भुतल परिवहन विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट) : (क) जी हां ।

(ख) प्रश्न नहीं होता ।

1730 [*Transferred to the 17th March 1986*]

**Construction of Airport at Tura**

1731. SHRI JERLIE E. TRAINING: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 2637 given in the Rajya Sabha on 22nd August, 1985 and state :

(a) whether the land for construction of Tura airport has been acquired ;

(b) if so, the progress so for made in the construction of the Tura airport and

(c) what amount has been sanctioned for the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise

**Extension of Vayudoot Services in Arunachal Pradesh**

1732 SHRIMATI OMEM MOYONG DEORI : Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the stations connected with Vayudoot in Arunachal Pradesh at present;

(b) whether Union Administration of Arunachal Pradesh has demanded for more services on other routes;

(c) whether Government propose to extend its services to more areas of Arunachal Pradesh; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action has been taken by Government in this regard?